

## **HEALTHCARE**

Third, access to healthcare remains a critical issue for our citizens. I support a strong medical review panel including the admissibility of the panel's findings under the proper circumstances. Medical liability insurance remains a serious problem. If you have any doubt, ask the several thousand patients in Casper who are about to lose their healthcare provider. While we await the outcome of the debate at the federal level, we should consider state participation in extended liability coverage for non-economic damage judgments between \$350,000 and \$1 million. I am not terribly fond of further state involvement in this issue but I have not seen an alternative. We cannot simply throw up our hands in frustration and ignore this problem.